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1. [] LIAISON Met with Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the [] situation and another sensitive matter.

2. [] BRIEFING Bob Mantel, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called to advise that Senators Hubert Humphrey (D., Minn.) and Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.) had designated himself, Steve Bryan and Geoffrey Kemp to undertake a trip to Iran to writeup a "Moose/Lowenstein type of report" and wanted an Agency briefing, preferably Thursday morning, in preparation for their trip. In response to my query, he said they have already been in touch with State Department and Defense Department for similar briefings. The bottom line appears to be whether our military assistance to Iran is becoming the determinant of U.S. policy and they would like to get some insight into the internal situation in Iran, i.e., stability, economics and political forces. [] OCI, has tentatively lined up a team composed of representatives from OCI and OER.

3. [] BRIEFING Met with George Berdes, House International Relations Committee staff, who wanted a briefing for Representative Clement Zablocki (D., Wis.) and himself on the situation [] I did explain to Berdes that certain of our findings do not support the sensationalized reporting in the press and told him that our assessment was only part of the picture. I suggested he might do better by getting the full picture from State Department. He asked if I could suggest a name for him to contact but said that even so, Mr. Zablocki would like to have our evaluation of the health hazards since they are getting a number of calls of concern from State employees who have served [] Later, I called Berdes and told him to contact Kempton Jenkins, Congressional Relations, Department of State, and Berdes repeated that Mr. Zablocki and he would like to have a session with us sometime next week.

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4. [] LIAISON Called Kempton Jenkins, Congressional Relations, Department of State, who said that Secretary of State Kissinger had agreed to a briefing of Richard Perle, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, Senate Government Operations Committee staff, on the Moscow Embassy story.

In connection with the interest of George Berdes, House International Relations Committee staff, which I reported to him, Jenkins agreed that I should refer Berdes to him but not to make any commitment.

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6. [] LEGISLATION Tom McMurray, Legislative Director for Representative Robert Michel (R., Ill.), called and asked about the status of the sources and methods package. He said the Congressman was interested in introducing it and mobilizing support for sources and methods legislation. I said I would get back to him early next week.

7. [] ADMINISTRATIVE Ambassador Robert McCloskey, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, called and said he wanted me to know he had talked with Secretary Kissinger last night regarding Senator Henry Jackson and the Moscow Embassy situation. The Secretary agreed that somebody from State should brief Dorothy Fosdick and Richard Perle, of Jackson's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of Senate Government Operations Committee. McCloskey said he would call Perle. I told McCloskey I had informed Perle initially yesterday that I would talk to Mr. Bush about this and that I was sure Mr. Bush would brief Senator Jackson, but Perle said that Mr. Highland, State, had arranged for State to brief them so the call to the Director was unnecessary.

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8. [] LIAISON Called Marian Czarnecki, Chief of Staff, House International Relations Committee, to advise him of George Berdes', of the Committee staff, interest in receiving a briefing for himself and Representative Clement Zablocki (D., Wis.) on the Moscow Embassy situation.

I also reminded Czarnecki of the long-standing request of the Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research & Development, House International Relations Committee, for a briefing on China and the Soviet Union. In both of these instances, Czarnecki strongly expressed the desirability of his serving as focal point for all subcommittee briefings and I said this approach had much to recommend it but that the guides on this point would have to be asserted from the Committee.

9. [] LIAISON "Chips" Chester, House International Relations Committee staff, called in follow-up of my earlier conversation with Marian Czarnecki, Chief of Staff of the Committee, and asked if we could coordinate with Kempton Jenkins, State Department, the providing of information to the Committee on the situation at the Moscow Embassy. In discussing this, Chester said there would have to be some input from the Agency and he thought that providing a short paper might satisfy this requirement.

In follow-up, I contacted Jenkins and LDX'd a copy of the page and half paper we had used with our subcommittees.

10. [] LIAISON Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called and said Chairman Stennis had asked him to write a "major speech" outlining "where we have come from" and "where we are going" militarily, delineating Chairman Stennis' record back fifteen years. Braswell said that along with this, he would like to throw in some positive things on intelligence, such as the U-2 and others. He would like us to do up some sheets on subjects from the U-2 in 1960

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one but I would see what we could do for him. He would like these by next Thursday.

Braswell and I discussed the subject of a joint committee on intelligence. I told him we had some summary sheets of testimony before Senate Government Operations Committee and he asked that we send him a copy (which we have done).

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9. [] LIAISON Met with Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on certain assets which have been declared to GSA as excess to the Agency's needs.

10. [] LIAISON Met with Ed Braswell, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, and briefed him on certain assets which have been declared to GSA as excess to the Agency's needs.

In response to his request, I gave Braswell a paper listing some of the key issues concerning congressional oversight legislation.

11. [] BRIEFING Called Bob Mantel, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, concerning the briefing on Iran for himself, Steve Bryan and Geoffrey Kemp, also of the Committee staff, which was set for 0930 hours on Thursday, 19 February at Headquarters. [] has been advised.

12. [] LEGISLATION Fred Ruth, Legislative Assistant to Senator Dewey Bartlett (R., Okla.), called to indicate that the Senator would be proposing an amendment to S. 2662 (International Security Assistance and Arms Export Control Act of 1976) to delete Section 113 (limitation on certain assistance on [] wanted a listing of the countries in Africa with a military presence from Cuba.

13. [] LIAISON Called Kempton Jenkins, State Department, to determine if the briefing of Richard Perle, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, Senate Government Operations Committee staff, had taken place on the Moscow Embassy story and he said it had and essentially covered the material in our blind memorandum on the health hazards and the various levels at which negotiations have been conducted.

Regarding the request from the House International Relations Committee, he said he would soon hope to have approval for a briefing of the senior members of the Committee (Representatives Thomas Morgan (D., Pa.), Clement Zablocki (D., Wis.) and William Broomfield (D., Mich.)) and at the same time would provide us their thinking on our providing our page and a half writeup on our findings.

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9. [] LIAISON Received a call from Jane Turner, in the office of Senator Robert Taft (R., Ohio). She inquired about the subject matter of an article in last week's New York Times concerning the use of missionaries for intelligence gathering. I told her I would send her our press statement.

10. [] LIAISON In response to his request last night, called Fred Ruth, Legislative Assistant to Senator Dewey F. Bartlett (R., Okla.), and provided him data on the Cuban military presence in Africa. (Apparently this information will be used by Senator Bartlett in an effort to defeat the provision to S. 2662 (International Security Assistance and Arms Export Control Act of 1976) by Senators Dick Clark (D., Iowa) and Clifford Case (R., N. J.), relating to Angola)).

11. [] BRIEFING Called Bob Duskie, House International Relations Committee staff, concerning tomorrow's session with the Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research & Development, House International Relations Committee, making the point that it would be helpful if Chairman Lester Wolff (D., N. Y.) would make a preliminary statement that this is a background briefing only, not to be attributed, and the need for strictly protecting the classified information imparted. He agreed.

12. [] LIAISON Met with Brian Conboy, in the office of Senator Jacob Javits (R., N. Y.), in follow-up of his conversation earlier in the day with Mr. Cary and provided him material relating to the powers of the coordinated branches in classifying and declassifying information. We also discussed the speech and debate clause as it applies to the enforcement of sanctions in each House on members who violate disclosure rules.

13. [] LIAISON Called "Chips" Chester, House International Relations Committee staff, concerning the pending matter of Agency input into the briefing of senior members of the Committee on the Moscow Embassy situation. In line with earlier discussions with Chester and Kempton Jenkins, State Department, Helmut Sonnenfeldt, Counselor of State Department, will provide the briefing and cover our one and a half page memorandum delineating our findings which will be identified as the Agency's input. Chester feels this will close out the matter as far as the Agency is concerned.

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1. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION Attended the first mark-up session of the Senate Government Operations Committee on the congressional oversight issue. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

2. (Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON Called Jeff Record, who handles Government Operations Committee work for Senator Sam Nunn (D., Ga.). Senator Nunn had raised the question of how the intelligence budget could be kept secret with an annual authorization requirement. I told him we shared Senator Nunn's concern on this matter and did not feel the Committee had focused fully on the implications of such a requirement. He said he would raise the issue with the Senator, and we would talk more about it at tomorrow's mark-up session.

3. (Unclassified - WPB) LIAISON Tom Smeeton, on the House International Relations Committee staff, called to bring to my attention Representative William Broomfield's (R., Mich.) statement in the Extension of Remarks of the Congressional Record regarding protection of intelligence sources and methods.

4. (Unclassified - THW) INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING I accompanied Bob Mantel, Steve Bryan, and Geoffrey Kemp, on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to a briefing on Iran held in [] OCI. The briefing began at 0950 hours and lasted until shortly after noon. The staffers were satisfied with the substantive intelligence briefing and asked some operational type questions. I told them that the briefing was not the forum for discussions on operational matters and said that I would be back in touch with them to follow-up on their requests. [] NE Division, was advised of their operational interests and is preparing guidelines for discussion

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5. [] LIAISON I spoke with Tom Smeeton, on the staff of the House International Relations Committee, regarding the House version of the Security Assistance bill. He said that the bill will go to the floor perhaps late in the week of 23 February but more than likely during the week of 1 March. He stated that the Harrington amendment to section 662 of the Foreign Assistance Act, which would have precluded most covert action, had been soundly defeated.

He also mentioned that Representative Robert McClory (R., Ill.) was to have dropped in the hopper today a bill regarding intelligence sources and methods and that Representatives Robert H. Michel (R., Ill.), William Broomfield (R., Mich.), John B. Anderson (R., Ill.), and possibly John J. Rhodes (R., Ariz.) would be cosponsors.

He also stated that the Michel bill on names of Agency officials was picking up and that 43 Representatives were now cosponsoring the bill.

6. [] EMPLOYMENT Mildred Ward, in the office of Representative Charles A. Mosher (R., Ohio), called and requested that employment brochures and application forms be sent to []

[] Office of Personnel is handling.

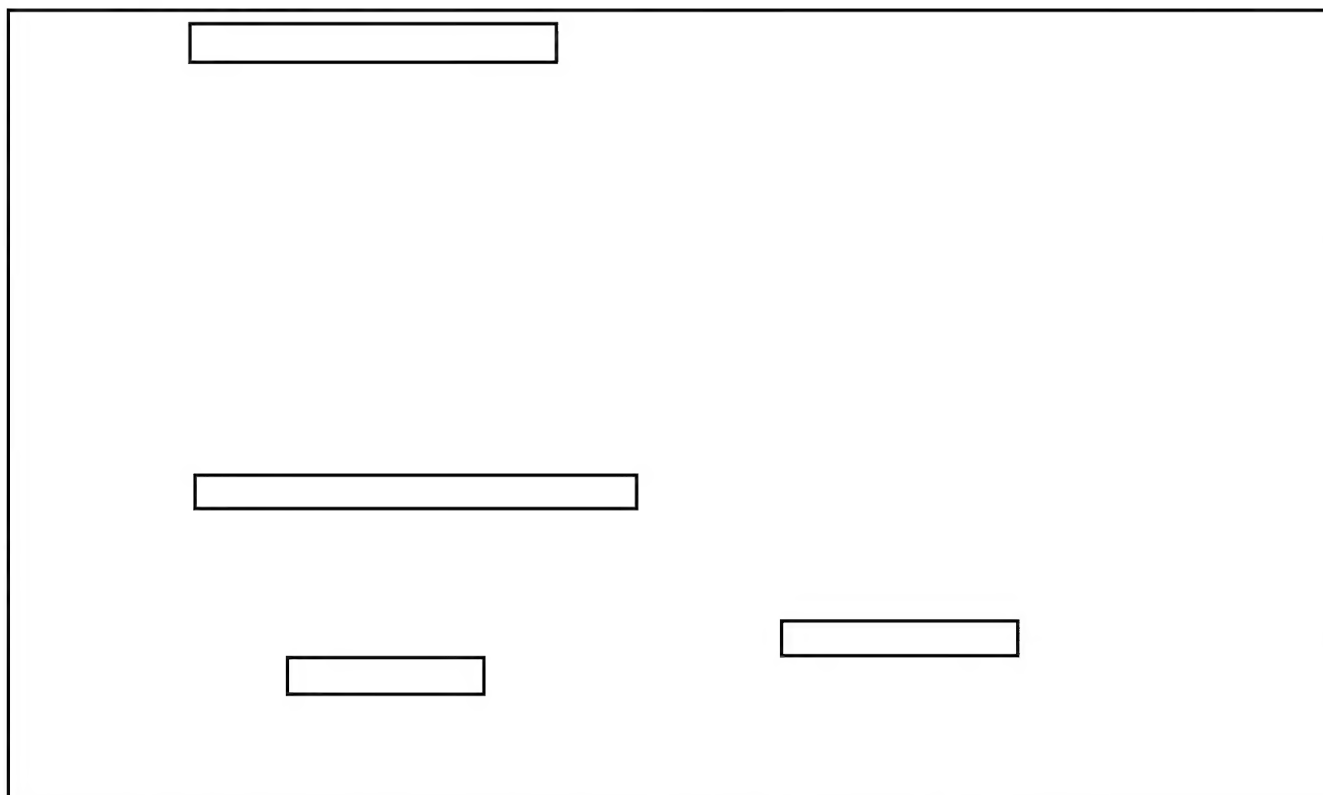
8. [] BRIEFING Accompanied [] and James Lilley, NIO/China, to a briefing of the Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research & Development, House International Relations Committee on the Soviet/Chinese/U.S. power triangle. See Memorandum for the Record.

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7. [redacted] Spoke with Molly Dillon, on the staff of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Operations, about her call to Mr. Cary requesting clarification on information which she had sent to us. We covered several points in which we either clarified the information to her satisfaction or provided her with additional information to complete what we had already given her. She appreciated our prompt response and said she would call us back if she had any further questions.

8. [redacted] LIAISON I accompanied [redacted] to a briefing of Representative Dale Milford (D., Texas), in his office related to collection programs and changes therein on which he had been briefed during his trip [redacted]

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